The Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health invites you to participate in a conversation

Creating a 10 Year Vision for the Mental Health System of Care

The Vermont Department of Mental Health will hold four public forums around the state this summer in order to hear thoughts and suggestions from Vermonters about our mental health system of care. These conversations will inform the basis of a shared commitment and accountability for a 10 – year vision of an integrated, holistic health care system.

The second forum will be held in **St. Johnsbury** on **July 23rd** with two available sessions:

Afternoon from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, or,

Evening from 4:30 PM to 8 PM.

(A light dinner will be available in the evening session.)

RSVP:

Please RSVP with the session you will attend (afternoon or evening) to: jennifer.rowell@vermont.gov.
While it is not necessary to reserve a spot, it would be helpful for us to have an idea of how many people will attend.

If you have special needs or accommodation requirements, please RSVP by July 9th, and include with your response the specific accommodations you require.

Location:

Catamount Arts, 115 Eastern Ave., St Johnsbury, Vermont.

Catamount Arts is on the South side of Eastern Ave.
which connects Main St. and Railroad St. in historic downtown St. Johnsbury.
Bus service is available for the afternoon session.

The dates and locations of additional public forums will be published in a future notice.

Charge and Background:

The Department stated its intent to hold these public forums in a recent report to the state legislature: <u>Evaluation of the Overarching Structure for the Delivery of Mental Health Services</u> (pg.2), Required by Act 82, Section 3(c) (2017), Amended by Act 200, Section 9 (2018).